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Dr. Talina R. Mathews  
Executive Director  
Public Service Commission  
211 Sower Boulevard, P.O. Box 615  
Frankfort, Kentucky 40602-0615

RE: ***BIG RIVERS ELECTRIC CORPORATION FILING  
OF WHOLESALE CONTRACTS PURSUANT TO  
KRS 278.160, 278.180 AND 807 KAR 5:011 §13***

Dear Dr. Mathews:

Enclosed for filing on behalf of Big Rivers Electric Corporation ("*Big Rivers*") pursuant to KRS 278.160, 278.180 and 807 KAR 5:011§13 are an original and ten copies of this letter, and eleven copies of each of a confidential capacity sale confirmation dated as of October 20, 2016 ("*Agreement*") entered into by Big Rivers with NextEra Energy Power Marketing, LLC ("*Buyer*") pursuant to the existing confidential EEI Master Agreement between Big Rivers and Buyer ("*EEI Agreement*").

For the convenience of the Public Service Commission ("*Commission*") in reviewing the Agreement, Big Rivers also attaches to this letter an original and ten copies of a confidential "Summary of Capacity Transaction" ("*Summary*"). Big Rivers further attaches 11 copies of the EEI Agreement that is incorporated by reference into the Agreement.

Because the Agreement, the EEI Agreement and the Summary Agreement contain highly confidential business terms, the disclosure of which would adversely affect Big Rivers' wholesale market competitiveness, Big Rivers is seeking protection of those confidential business terms in a Petition for Confidential Protection, an original and ten copies of which are also enclosed with this letter along with one sealed copy of the pages containing the confidential information either printed on yellow paper or showing the confidential information highlighted in yellow ink.

Big Rivers requests that if the Commission suspends the Agreement, that the Commission conduct its review on an expedited basis and issue an order no later than December 19, 2016. The basis for this request is described in the Summary.

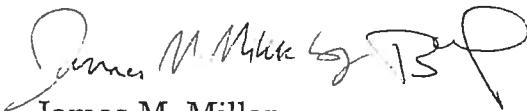
All communications with Big Rivers about this matter should be to the following persons:

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Please feel free to contact us with any questions you may have about this filing.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James M. Miller", followed by a stylized flourish or initial.

James M. Miller  
Counsel for Big Rivers Electric Corporation

Copies to: Mark Eacret  
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